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*Whitehall, December* 30.

BY Order of the Right Honourable the Lords, and others, the Commissioners, &c. for the poor Palatines, Notice is hereby given, That all Ministers, Churchwardens, and others, who have any Mony in their Hands, collected on any Brief for Relief of the said Palatines, and have not an Opportunity to return such Brief with the Mony thereon collected, to the Collector who left the Brief with them, may return such Brief, with the Mony collected thereon, to Henry Walker, Gent. who gives daily attendance at Mr. Ward's, a Bookseller, in the Inner Temple-Lane, and is impowered by the said Commissioners to receive and give Discharges for the same.

*H. Bendysh.*

*Milan, December* 6. *N. S.* Our Regency is daily employed in concerting Measures for a vigorous Prosecution of the War, and the Imperialists are Recruiting their Troops with such Success, that it is hoped all the Companies will be compleated before the end of April. They write from Naples, that the Duke of Bruzzano hath offered to fit out at his own Expence a Squadron of seven Galleys for the Service of the King of Spain, provided that his Catholick Majesty will Man those Vessels, and give him the Command, and bestow the Dignity of a Grandee of Spain on him and his Successors. The last Advices from Rome say, that a Consistory was lately held there for Propagating the Christian Faith, wherein the Representations of several Missionaries from China, concerning the Worship and Ceremonies paid to Confutius, were taken into Consideration, in order to form what Resolutions are most proper for maintaining the Christian Religion in that Kingdom. The Pope hath sent Orders to Ferrara and Fort Urbino, to reform the Troops that are garrisoned in those Places.

*Venice, December* 7. *N. S.* Advices from the Trentin say, that 600 Men of the Troops of Saxe-Gotha, and some Hussars, were arrived in those Territories, and continued their March towards Germany. The last Advices from Constantinople say, that the Muscovite Ambassador had been admitted to an Audience of the Grand Signior, and held several Conferences with Stamboll Effendi, and divers other Ministers of that Court, who are appointed to treat with him concerning the Proposals which are made in behalf of his Czarish Majesty. We hear that the Czar hath offered to prolong the Truce which was concluded some Years since, between the Russian and Turkish Empires. The Minister of the Czar insists on the Article of that Truce, whereby the Grand Signior engages himself not to be aiding or assisting in any manner whatsoever to the Enemies of his Czarish Majesty, or to give them any Protection in his Dominions, and urges that the Grand Signior is thereby obliged not to suffer the King of Sweden to continue at Bender, or any other Place which is under the Jurisdiction of the Ottoman Port. On the other side Monsieur Neugebauer, Envoy-Extraordinary from his Swedish Majesty, had frequent Conferences with the Grand Visier, the Reis Effendi, the Basha Bostangi, and the Seraskier of Natolia, wherein he uses all his Endeavours to prevent any Alliance between the Grand Signior and the Czar, and to engage the Ottoman Port to enter into a League with his Swedish Majesty; and we are assured, that several Ministers of the Divan appear enclined to favour the Interests of the King of Sweden, and oppose the Measures that are taken by the Russian Ambassador. In the mean time the Warlike Preparations are carried on throughout the Turkish Dominions with great Application, and considerable Numbers of Troops are filing off towards the Frontiers of Muscovy; and great Bodies are expected from Asia, that are to march the same Way: But the Frontiers on the Black Sea being of the greatest importance for the Security of the Turkish Empire, particular Instructions have been given for fortifying the Posts situated along that Coast; and a Squadron of Gallies and Saicks hath been employed in transporting Troops, Ammunition, and all other Warlike Stores to those Places. These Advices add, that the King of Sweden continued at Bender with a Body of five thousand Men, consisting of Swedes and Cossacks.

*Vienna, December* 11. *N. S.* Last Saturday in the Evening his Imperial Majesty, attended by the Knights of the Golden Fleece, invested with the Collars proper to that Order, assisted at Divine Service in the Chappel of the Palace; and